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Application No. : 10/673,520

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For : SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR UTILIZING RAINWATER COLLECTED AT BUILDINGS

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Response under 37 C.F.R. 1.116
Expedited Procedure Requested
Examining Group. 1724
Attorney Docket No. P24055

Group Art Unit : 1724

Examiner : P.A. Hruskoci

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a **Response under 37 C.F.R. 1.116** in the above-captioned application.

☒ Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a previously filed statement.

☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

☐ A Request for Extension of Time.

☒ No additional fee is required.

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Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action of September 30, 2004, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections made therein are respectfully requested, in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Inasmuch as the Official Action sets a three-month shortened statutory period which expires December 30, 2004, this Amendment is being timely filed and no extension of time is believed necessary. However, if an extension is deemed by the Patent and Trademark Office to be necessary, the same is hereby requested and the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any necessary fees in connection therewith or any fees necessary to preserve the pendency of this application to deposit account No. 19-0089.